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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of

CHANCHAL KUMAR GHOSH, et al

Serial No. 10/047,689 Filed 15 January 2002 Group Art Unit 1751

Examiner E. Elhilo

For CLEANING COMPOSITIONS

CONTAINING MULTIPLY-SUBSTITUTED PROTEASE

**VARIANTS** 

## **AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.112**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on 20 March 2003, please amend the above-captioned case as follows, and consider the subsequent Remarks. The Applicants further request consideration and entry of the Request for Continued Examination submitted herewith. The Applicants hereby petition the Office for a three-month extension of time in which to prosecute the present application. In this respect, the Applicants hereby authorize the Office to charge any and all necessary fees, and credit any overpayment thereof, to maintain the pendency of the present application to the Applicants Deposit Account, Number 16-2480.